

A FALSE STANDARD.

What we call contentment is a relative term. Granting that it is a condition of mind, meaning the same thing to every one, it yet relates to the standreasons from premises far different things. One has high ideals, another is but the place to spend it is at home. content to walk in a narrow sphere, so contentment is not an exact thing-a thing in the abstract, but a degree of

sessors of great wealth prove that the | It is, perhaps, not generally relieved limit to population and wealth, much million or one hundred million mark is that yellow fever is an American insti- as they have talked otherwise.

nets of kindness to others are the sure | ial. exponent of happiness within, Concontented nature.

So it is neither money nor the amount there is to be a millennium will it come in a money getting era?

KEEP THE MONEY AT HOME.

The first duty of every man is at home. His best service is due to his own family. After this he considers the claims of his nearest friends and neighbors. Next in order comes levalty to his town and his state. He feels or should feel, a degree of state pride which is more than sentiment. Within proper limitations, he carries it into his business. He exercises it in all efforts for state advancement. Otherwise he would he inconsistent, for every man is sunposed to make his own choice of location. His welfare is identical with that of his neighbor, and the business of a neighborhood is that of a co-operative society, in which every family is a share holder. Mutually dependent, yet mutually helpful, the people of a state or of a city have a common interest in the social and commercial advancement of each other. This is promoted by natronlzing home merchants and home indusiries. It is greatly aided by the establishment of home markets. It is a tax, and a useless burden for the farmer to pay carrying charges on his product to distant markets, when it could be handled at home at a price only a snade lower than he realizes at the great central markets. There are wholesale and retail freight rates as well as retail and rarried to Chicago or New York in train lots cheaper than in broken car lots. There is a further saving in grinding it Into flour at home and shipping the surplus abroad. It is a useless waste to ship live hogs or cattle out of the state. when local packers can convert them into beef and pork. Preight charges on the gross weight figures a handsome profit to the farmer, and he is entitled to it. The rule applie to all products. The money saved is money carned, and properly belongs to the producer.

There are other ways of keeping money at home. The lady who has a few dollars to spend robs her neighbor of profits which rightly belong to him by going or sending elsewhere to buy her goods. She cripples the merchant who may be the best patron of her husband, and takes from the community a part of the fund which pays a debt or makes a purchase every day in the year. If goods are not to be had in the home sas from the early fifties up to the presmarket, order them through your home ent time did so for the purpose of being merchant. This retains the profit at in on the ground floor, for the purpose was making a century run.

travel, and sometimes in distant excur- is a rich citizen out of a poor pioneer. sions to our own reserts. A grove at the through the agency of a growing state, conshore is no more attractive than a If it could be irrevocably decreed that is less exhilarating than is our own prosperous and wealthy than she is that sort of logic?

prairie breezes. The home physician is now, a large per cent of our people quite as competent as the itinerant who would forthwith march out of the state requents the watering places and much forever. Despite the mistaken claim more reliable. There are fakes and de- that some men are too poor to get away, vices without number designed solely for fleecing the gullible visitor of these have never wanted to leave the state, resorts.

treasury are far too common. It is by domain, and they have waited to share saving the leaks that a whole country its prosperity. In the past ten years and from which we reckon. One man grows rich, just as an individual keeps they have talked differently. They up his bank account through frugal have, hundreds of them, bemoaned the from those of another. One erects a habits. It is worth thinking about, but fact that Kansas would always be an standard above that of his neighbor. better to act upon. Kansas and Okla- agricultural state; that people had stopand aspires to corresponding greater boma have a surplus of cash this year, ped coming west; that Kansas was as

THE YELLOW FEVER SCARE.

happiness to the individual as meas again a scourge in this country. There viduals spoke it, they did not believe it. are two reasons for this: First, better Down in their hearts they believed im-In this material age, money, and the sanitation; second, knowledge of treat-plicitly that a great future was before acquisition of money, is the desideratum ment. Though 1,000 persons have fled the state. Those who did not believe it from which proceeds content to most from Ocean Springs, Miss., and one has promptly moved out of the state. But men. There are a few who look to other died of the disease in New Orleans there the great mass of people remained, exand the chief aim in life, the question be any virtue in cycles the fever is not immigration Kansas will cease her sorarises, does it bring content? Paradox- due until 1808. There was a visitation row in a breath and will be, as formerical as it may seem, we know it does in 1868 along the southern coast; in 1878 ly, the most reseately hopeful, boastnot. The paradox lies in the fact that a frightful mortality ensued in all of the fully ambitious and extravagantly joyour best efforts are made in the attempt extreme southern states. Memphis suf- ful of all the states in the Union. to accumulate money as a means of con- fered more, perhaps, than any other It is in her blood. Kansas is hysteritent, yet the possession of it rarely, if city. Ther were altogether 1,537 cases cal in happiness, rabid in disappointever, brings content. Who will deny and 487 deaths. Of the whites who took ment. But her anger over reverses and this? Who knows a man who, after ac- the fever 40 4-10 per cent died, and of adversity has never reached that point quiring a certain sum, sits down and the blacks 16 6-10. In 1888 the disease where the mass of her people really besays he has enough? The lives of pos- was epidemic along the Florida coast.

not the limit of their ambition. They tution. There is no evidence to show strive for other millions quite as eagerly that it was known in Europe before the no one in Kansas. No man in the state, and as a means of content. So, like return of Columbus, while there are his- when another great period of growth is rainbow chasing, it becomes a lifelong torical indications of its presence in San in progress will for the life of him be pursuit, while the goal is just beyond. Domingo in 1488, and in Porto Rico in able to believe that he ever despaired The true version is that wealth is a 1508. Vera Cruz and Havana are the false standard. Happiness is a condition of mind. This is a truism, old as March to September or October the time. Real contentment is from within, disease rages like a pestilence among or not at sal. It is inherent in the mind, the newly arrived Europeans and the and in the soul qualities of every man, natives who descend from the table or nothing. Observation and experience lands of the interior. It was first recogteaches that thousands pass out of the nized in the West Indies shortly after world without even a conception of real tipe coming of the whites, and it has happiness, but there are many whose ever since radiated from this region in lives are sweetened by this almost per- the lines of commercial intercourse, expetual quality. To define it would in- tending to all our great cities and to volve more of detail than space would parts of Europe, its greatest ravages admit here. The ground might be cov- there having been in Spain. Its first ered by the general statement that re- appearance in the United States was in ligion embraces the whole. We may 1693, when it visited Charleston, and say it is the spiritual influences dwell- Philadelphia. There was a severe outing in the inner consciousness of every break in New York in 1791, and in man, or most men. From these influ- Philadelphia again in 1793, when the ences proceed good works and generous, citizens died in such numbers that it noble impulses. Deeds of charity and was impossible to give them decent bur-

A yellow fever hospital was establishsistent, temperate, upright living is the ed on Bush Hill, and here Stephen GIoutspoken language of a happy and rard, the philanthropist, nursed the sick and dying. Dr. Rush, the physician in charge, resorted to phlebotomy in many of money that secures contentment. On cases, and saved not a few. There has the contrary, it breeds discontent, It in- not been an epidemic north of Norfolk spires avarice, and leads to a craving, since 1822, in which year New York, both of which bring perpetual worry Philadelphia and Baltimore established and often physical wreck. The es- strict quarantine, as also did Spain, cape from its evil consequences is in with the result of putting an end to the putting away the false standard. Money scourge in Europe, with the exception has its uses, but its abuses as well. As of Gibraltar. Yellow fever is never aban end, and that end human happiness, sent from some of the tropical cities. it has led millions to shipwreck. If It has been persistent at Havana for nairo since 1849.

THE OKLAHOMA FARMER

other editors for advising the Oklahoma a mistake when he didn't mount Ingalls farmer in economy by remarking that the Oklahoma farmer knows how to spend his money without any superfluous advice.

With the saving exception that lessons in economy are never superfluous so long as human nature is inclined to extravagance, this rejoinder in behalf of the farmer is correct. He needs no adthat a man who has lived in a shack | wiped out at the beginning. built up of big cracks with little boards between the cracks for ornamentation, who has had the cold and ley climate creep in, in the dead of night, and bury its fangs in his backbone; who has had polatoes for breakfast and potatoes for dinner, and then for supper potatoes for several months there is no danger that five years of ploneer life and its hard, ony, griping hand; who has suffered every personal discomfort, legal annoyance and mental anxiety attaching to s no immediate danger that this man, now in possession of big money from wheat, from corn and from cotton, is jobbing prices in dry goods. Wheat is going to rush into town and buy out several bicycle firms for the pleasure of mounted harness for the plow-horse. There is no question that it would delight him to have a kodak for himself so that he could take the whole family, the mules and the "pasture at sunset?" the boys rounding up the young steers on high-genred and drop-forged steel bleycles. But the Oklahoma farmer is going to let these pleasures wait. New louse, new barns and new fences will some first and until he has them erected and freshly painted, he will skimp on frivolities as he should.

A STATE OF GREAT HOPE

Good times should surprise no one in Kansas. Every one who located in Kanof getting into a vicinity which was There is needless waste in foreign bound to grow, for the purpose of mak-

the fact is that the people of Kansas and that for the simple reason that These methods of depleting the home they believed it was to become a rich big as she would ever be; that it was a mistake to settle any but the eastern third of the state in the first place. Yellow fever is not likely to become Even while these sorrow-saturated indi-

ideals, but, for the most part, moncy is is no cause for approhension. There pecting good times for Kansas. It has the standard of reckoning. This may have been tweeve deaths in Ocean come at last from her own fields. What be deplored, for there are better things Springs. The government has taken she expects now and believes inevitable in this world than material wealth, but prompt action in sending Dr. Gutteras is new immigration from the east. There it is a condition with which all must there to investigate. The season is late is no doubt it will come, and soon. And deal. Taking wealth as the standard, and the plague will be stayed. If there with the appearance of the van of that

> Good times will consequently surprise of the future of Kansas.

lieved that the state had reached its

As an orator Mark Hanna gets his best effects across a little table in a deep whisper with an attentive audience of one,

Up in Klondske this winter men will ba their pantries with rods of solid gold in order to keep thieves away from the bis-

The Populists are a little dull-perhaps benumbed. Silverites not the only thing going down. There is the time of trotting No doubt there will be many cases when

fried boot-leg, but they are going there with that expectation. Herr von Larish, a German professor says that no woman can be beautiful. But

gen in Klondike this winter will live or

the man who invented the mirror said otherwise, and he was right The story that David Leahy was hur in the Emporia wreck is untrue. It is

true he has a slight inflammation of th imagination, but that is chronic. The Populist who demanded that "this money question must be settled one way or the other" now stands aghast at th

civilization, labor troubles would be a great deal less serious. The voiley at Hazleton mars what was otherwise a model strike.

way it is being settled the other.

In order to beat McKinley and the effeet of high wheat prices during his adinto nominating Mother Nature for president

Since last fall's election Ingalls has been Several Oklahoma editors, in a tone of in every state in the Union except Idaho, voice bordering on a sneer, reprove Oregon and Washington. The Lord made on casters.

Paderewski has cut his hair off, but a cable says it has not affected his playing There is only one man on earth that can land on a piano's solar plexus every bar. and that is Paderewski.

by this time of the fact that modern sci ence makes the first shurmish the decisive vice. There is no immediate danger battle. The disease in the south will be

> The latest from Klondike is that often when the mercury is 70 degrees below zero men will come out of the shafts perspiring. A shaft this winter will be worth more than a hard coal burner.

In strike frombies too many of the sherins in this country are placed in positions this man, who has bared his breast to where old and experienced generals are needed. The inflammable private citizen cannot handle men armed with guns properly.

The wide-spread assumption that men proving up an Oklahoma claim-there are walking deliberately to starvation in Alaska is ridiculous. If the truth were known, every man who ventured into the gold regions has provisions tucked away in his clothes somewhere.

In his address at the Kansas University als children, or a grand plane for his Will Allen White said: "We have not wife, or a kodak for himself, or a gold. solved the problem of living." People who have seen Mr. White tuck porter-house steaks away into the dark recesses of his round anatomy will read this with a shock.

Kansas has a keen admiration for Bryan. Kansas has a keen admiration for any nee a week. It would delight him to bright, strong, handsome man in his strughear "Sweet Marie" on the polished, gle with untoward circumstance. Kansas mirrory plane, and refresh him to see admires a man's effort to get on his feet and enjoys it hugely when he falls to do

The Cuban insurgents have captured the

Weyler says he will at once re-take it

Some day Weyler will discover what he is in Cubs for, and do something desperate, perhaps going so far as to fight a It is not a hear-the story that Kansas

Wheat up. Mere luck. Real estate advancing. Just happened so. Stores restocking heavily. Mere chance. Good times and McKinley Simply a coincidence. Do the Populist pagrove in Kansas. The humbi sea air Kansas was never to be more populous, pers really expect to make a campaign on Ireland.

(A story in the English magazine, Mac-

PART IV.

Norry opened her eyes, and stayed her psevish whimper. She did not recognize him after eight months, and she was too oppressed by the atmosphere of the sick-"Norry, don't you remember your friend Grandby, whom you took to see Jacky Molloy's puppy?" he asked, dropping into

chair and taking the white Norry stared at him in an effort of memory. To the healthy eye there is a world of difference between daylight and candlelight, and small wonder so little about the stranger struck a reminiscent chord. She frowned crossly and turned to her mother for explanation.

"You remember the gentleman Mrs. Molloy called the Marskiss, Norry?" whispered her mother. And suddenly Norry re-membered. Her sick, small face wrinkled and quivered in one of the old bright smiles

Tesounds its awful tread as though El Trem
as faint as the echo of melody. "Oh, yes,
Dandby, I remember; and stupid Mrs. MolHark! That terrifying yell, as though a oy says ever since that he's the Mars-

"She'll get well. Mrs. O'Nelll; she must. By heavens, we can't let ber go! I'll send a messenger off this very instant for Sir

The Marquis stood and kissed the child. and strode away to post one of the Hall servants up to town by the last train for the with his son, and stayed on, calling every day at the O'Neill's. He was quite a hu-manized figure for his tenants by this. He manized figure for his tenants by this. He in a contiguous corn-field. Now we are was bound to them by a common tie, for safe, and can scrieve down on paper a he, too, acknowledged their queen and hung upon their whims. Because she spoke of the lake and wished she had a boat, he telegraphed for the loveliest boat a boat, he telegraphed for the loveliest boat a full stop was made these were all unliming the separator and the tool-wagon. Before a full stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made these were all unliming the second stop was made he, too, acknowledged their queen and morsel of what occurs. know him as well as Father Sullivan, or faithful to old friends, and preferred Mur-phy, the tramp, and Pat Maione the big are solid masses of heads whose meshes are Sergeant.

ed at the Marquis's expense, was at first dublous, then convinced that nothing could save the child. The Marquis was seen coming down the

street from the park avenue, and it was decided to question him after his visit like an ordinary fellow-mortal. His hat was tiited over his eyes, and there was an air of sadness about him that stirred the spectators to a belief in some latent virtue in him. He was a hard landlord, true, but then Norry liked him, and he had grown fond of the child. Surely he might be pardoned not having reduced their rents. His knock now was not so self-assertive as on the first visit. The young father was down stairs, with his head on the table, shaken by terrible sobs. Sir Martin Bunbury had delivered his appalling opinion. a half-bushel! The idea is childish. Twen-The Marquis silently closed the door and ty minutes, and the measure is level full. stole up stairs. Outside the sick-room there was no sound. He peeped in and saw it empty. Much amazed, he wandered down again, and met Marcelia crossing the hall with a cup in her hand; the back of the other she held against her eyes. "Where's the child?" asked the estounded Marquis. "She's down here, sir. She wanted a change, and the mistress carried her to

As she spoke she opened the door, and the Marquis marched in. Mrs. O'Neili sat near the fire with a bundle of flannels n her arms, and out of this two tired Think upon it. ue eyes gazed at him.

the drawing-room."

"Dood-morrow, Dandby," said Norry, with a touch of the old spirit. The mother pressed her lips against the brown flos urls and smiled wanly at her landlord. "A-morrow," Norry went on, lifting her head wilfully and striking out a thin arm in her eagerness. "I'll be better, and I'll take you to the lake, Dandby, with my boat; won't s. mother? "Yes, darling," said the courageous

young mother. "And papa'll tum, too-won't he, Dand-"If it's fine, Norry, but you know papa and I couldn't go out if it rained.

catch cold," said the Marquis, stroking her She wrinkled her litle marble face in a ghost of her sweet pink smile. It had the old light, but not the color, and she spoke with some of her quaint ardor and broken Psp. "Little children don't mind the wain, do they mother? Me and Tommy

more than 130 years, and at Rio de Ja- ministration, the Populists may be forced O'Brien used to wun out in the wain to grow big. But 'tisn't the same wif big people, I s'pose." She had not spoken so much for a long while, and her mother hardly knew wheth-

er to hope or to be afraid. "Norry mustn't tire herself if she wants to get well," she ventured to suggest. "Oh, mother, Norry isn't tired a bit. I fink she is better. Mother, do play the

piano for Norry."

plane for Norry."
"What shall mother play?"
"Play 'Polly Perkins," you know, mother, the fing the Sergeant sings. Lie you now 'Polly Perkins,' Dandby?'
"If you like to gratify her, Mrs. O'Neill, I'll take her," said the Marquis, reddening. With a desperate glance Mrs. O'Ne.il do

posited the whimsical baby in his arms, and after she had complied with her despot's command for a tish, half staurered over to the plane, blinded by her tears, to play he wretched vulgar tune just imported from the London music-halls. Never was Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay played

in an atmosphere more tragic. The de-graded jingle rose in the astonished silence thing less discordant and inappropriate than if it had been played in a chi For Norry alone it was not out of place. She remembered her friend, the Sergeant, and made a gallant effort to sing his parody. In a thin, hurried voice she quivered, with painful earnestness:

Polly Perkins had no sense. She bought a fliddle for eighteen pence; And all the tune that she could play Was Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay.

She closed her eyes with the violence of her effort to finish the verse, and nestled her little brown head against the arquis's Marcella came in with something for he

held up an arresting hand. There was a drowsy look upon the child's face that promised slumber. She muttered something vaguely, and the Marquis bent down t catch the words, thelling that he could never forgive the Sergeant if it proved to be Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay. "He isn': a Marskiss at all," she said. In spite of the "He ten't a heavy feelings of the moment, Lord Grand. | alluvial soil

cheeks, he instinctively held out his hand without a groam, died-a victim of the to the father and cried cheerily: "There, drouth. In the minds of the cust this is a O'Neill, she's better already! You'll find she has passed the crisis in that light | is a picture from real life in Fruit country

tin Bunbury stopped on his way to the station, and this time announced the grand news that nature had accomplished one of her mysteries. By some unaccountable freak the chilf had turned the critical point, and there was nothing now to do then to fiscuss the question. The after but to feed her up and keep her amused

morselessly amused! She might have outents of the glass jars at Mrs. Relly's gratis. Toys poured in upon her in the oddest confusion, and the town throve and

a night when the Coynte Creek Wheel club Sother the rental He might raise them he walked into the allow farmer and dis-any day if he liked and he sure he wouldn't tributed him and his clothing all over a be shot. Bless you, there he goes along forty-acre field and said in parting: There be shot. Bless you, there he attend in the atreet, the best-hearted gentleman in Ireland. Three cheers, boys, for the Mar-

Jarvis Bloostem writes to the Dodge City

one seeing the steam thresher at work with Which busy care draws in the brain self-feeder and pneumatic straw-stacker. Therefore, thou sleep'st so sound. It is that benumbing absorption with which the untutored savage regards the railway train. That is, presuming one has threshed with a flail, on the hard oak floor of the barn in which was stored the year's crop at the harvest-home. The monoto-nous thump of this primitive tribulator opened and closed the grand lodge of day for weeks and months of the autumn as winter in the good old times. Go back, and gaze on that picture—then on this!

What monster is that, stretching alone the horizon in the distance, over hills and with the healless march of juggernaut or the appailing sweep of a cyclone? See! From nostrils far aloft it breathes a blinding cloud of sulphurous smoke, like the spume of a dragon! Now the crazy demon had become drunk on the blood of his victims. The clankings of massive chains indicate that it is trammeled. Has puny man then, harnessed th wild ternade and tamed it to his use? It or less under control of a little tobacco chewing man with chestnut-sorrel whisk-ers and only one suspender. We are re-

bered and now the driver, stering his en-Curate, or the Doctor. But she was gine, has pushed his separator in between bursting with grain. The endless chair feeding chute is drawn forward and secured, the stack set up, the grain spout adjusted, the power belt stretched from the fly-wheel of the engine to the cylinder pulley a warning toot of the whistle that all ready, a whirring of the gleaming teeth of the cylinder rising away high into a

assured, but still a bit leery. Taking a

position of view we borrow a little en-chantment from distance, which lands us

Eight strong men, armed with steel pitchforks, each striving as in flerce fight with a fatal foe, feed the ravening jaws of this purring old tiger-cat whose may knows no satisty. Down the grain spot rushes a tawny torrent, two and a half bushels a minute, into a fifty-bushel wagon box. These are carefully tallied and the is the measure of the work. Think, now, of measuring wheat from the machine with the yielding soil with its ton and a half load of the precious life-staff. Another wagon is instantly in place and so the mad strife goes on. No stop, no rest, no breathing spell, no break-downs. Only one short hour at noon from sunrise till dark. Six of these machines in sight at once from one outlook. Say twelve hundred bushels a day multiplied by six-seventy two hundred bushels-nine good car loads in one day from one little corner of the wheat melt in the short grass country.

Along the Kansas Nile.

The average Populist platform in Kansas wobbles like a ten-span bridge built with shingle nails.

The average Populist in Kansas is getting to believe that "aspera" means "crop shortage in other countries."

After much profound thought it is understood that Mike Sutton has approved Sen-ator Baker's recommendation of a pension agent at Topeka.

What Kansas needs is honest legislators Every candidate for the legislature should adopt for a motto: "An honest dollar and

At Iola Bryan carried off \$1,000 for a speech, or a thousand bushels of wheat. One year ago he would have carried away 2,000 busels of wheat. The existing gold standard still exists and we are having

In every school house in Kansas this fall a sign should be painted reading: "Any campaign orator who cries the words, Why? I ask why?" loud enough to break the window-panes will be fined fifty cents a pane."

Fifteen grand marshals of the day have en provided for Topeka's festival pa-de. The large number is provided in rade. he belief that at least ten of them wh placed in the midst of a blue such will

spontaneously combusticate. It is pleasant to learn that Jo. Brietow's office in Washington is the only one in that city where it is not necessary to get down and lick the private secretary's in order to gain entrance. Bristow's office is open to everybody. There are no door

ing all the reporters in New York with the was there recently. As a matter fact, there is not a city editor in New York who knows Leedy is governo Kansas, much less a reporter. at all strange. Can you name the governor of Montana? Montana is not as away from Kansas as Kansas is from New

In the first readers of the Populist brand used in Kansas the attle boy and girl will run across something like this: "What is cently gigantly and preposterously constructed? Can the elephant groun? No The elephant cannot groun. He has grown too much." This is about as bright as some of those lessons in the Populist first

readers are. "Has there ever been a time in the history of man," asked a Republican vector-day, "when wheat was worth twice as much as silver?" "Yes," said a little man with spectacles. "When?" crief the Republican. The little man pulled out a book movement the Republican seized a club and defily struck the little mun on the head and drove him three feet into the soft.

involuntarily smiled.

Ind when at last the blue agree opened, and unfevered sleep with its motten tongues of stifting guests. scene from Pratt county, Kansas. deep."

The Marquis proved a prophet. Sr Marlast Saturday lost a three-hundred-dollarin Rephyre stressed or his marthe diamond in his wheat field." Two Kansas farmers lived gide by side

morselessly amused! She might have empired the single confectioner's about the about his business, saying that daily have consumed the entire contents of the glass lars at Mrs. assert it is true. This fall the campaign sparkled and glowed upon the news that or you about the gold standard. I was orator will be forced to make a speech to the "drawingest" child on earth was get-two dogs and a cripple, because he selected. One weith called on the mild neighbor and said: as for the Marquis of Grandby, he was I said." Then up spoke the mild man As for the agent of a public benefac-tegarded in the light of a public benefac-tor. Had he not been the means of restor. Sorry, en? You red-headed, equiut-eyed ing their severagn to them, and was he not less than the appraised rental value or could dare challenge his perfections now? You top-sided, spavined old foot; Then

sround, please, when you have time."

Last fall one was free silver; the other gol standard. The gold standard man refuse

The Sovereign of the Village. A Kansas Marvel-The Thresher. Great Men on Little Children. Boy! Lucius! Fast asleep! It is no matter; It is something more than awe that thrills | Thou hast no figures, nor no fantasies,

> Pleasure and pain, I maintain to be the first perceptions of children, and I say

that they are the forms under which virtue and vice are originally present to then

I hate boys of precoclous genius.

At thy birth, dear boy, Nature and Fortune joined to make thee

Of Nature's gifts thou may'st with lilles And with the half-blown rese

Pleased with a rattle, tickled with a straw, Alas! regardless of their doom, The little victims play; No sense have they of ills to come,

Nor care beyond today.

To hold thee lightly on a gentle knee

the child are as ages.

Behold the child, by Nature's kindly law

To aid thy mind's development, to watch Thy dawn of little joys-to sit and see Almost thy very growth, to view thee catch Knowledge of objects-wonders yet to thee

And print on thy soft cheek a parent kiss. This was in my nature. The young spirit has awakened out of Eternity, and knows not what we mean by time: as yet Time is no fast-hurrying stream, but a sportful sunit ocean, years to

A child, more than all other gifts That earth can offer to declining man Brings hope with it, and forward-looking

thoughts. -Wordsworth, A little child, a limber cif, Singing, dancing to itself, A fairy thing, with rel, round cheeks, That always finds and never seeks,

For the mother's sake the child was dear And dearer was the mother for the child -Coleriuge.

As fills a father's eyes with light.

Then the Boy sprang up from his knees and ran, Stung by the splendor of a sudden thought.

Children-would they grew Like field-flowers-everywhere. -Tennyson.

Each voice grows soft in saying-As a boon the kiss is granted, Baby mouth, your touch is sweet, Takes the love without the trouble

From those has that with it meet; Gives the love, O. pure! O. tender! Of the valley where it grows,

More than it bestows. -Jean Ingelow.

The infant lies in blessed care Upon his mother's breast; No storm, no dark, the haby sees, Invades his heaven of rest. He nothing knows of change or death-

Her face his body skies; The air he breathes his mother's breath, His stars, his mother's eyes. We must keep her full of wonder

At the daisy, at the thunder, At the moon and stars and sea, At the butterfly and bee; Change the brain, but keep the heart.

"The child was a child, and it's wery

When men are frightened, children are -Victor Hugo.

If children grew up according to early cations, we would have nothing but

Blessings on thee, little man, Bare-foot boy with cheeks of tank With thy turned-up pantaloons, Kissed by strawberries on the hill; Through thy torn beim's jaunty grace, I was once a bare-foot boy. -Whittier.

When baby goes a-walking Oh, how her paddles fly For that's the way

The hables say other folk "hy-by;" The trees bend down to kiss her, And the birde in capture sing. As there she stands and waves her hands, The cuppin' little thing!

Near to Nature's Featte

(From Archison Globe)
A musician always thinks he is a crecker tack when he speaks of "running over" & The people are a good deal like weeds

long dry spell makes them look willed, usty and discouraged. When a woman accepts a young man

o make herself ridiculous raving about Put a man where he can see himself in weight, say. "Farmers' Just think for a the mirror, and he is just as abscuringled in mirror what a lead you put on your ed in his conversation as any woman. Increas' necks with all stiff-tonigued drills." We suppose a kimi Providence makes

his year, in a few weeks they will have ber of people. That was lufterone.

com home, it is a good sign that her home In addition to greater productions of wheat, corn, cate, fruit, vegetables, col-

mili there were also more mosquitoes than A reporter on this paper is always worthless on a busy day, but a jewel when there is nothing going on. His explanation

Atchison girl and her possig man will receive its death chill if they are ever separated and he has in write to her, even

f avoiding his wife for some time, has sell them stock?"

Inally divided the cause. She has the in the next five years in this part of the fever for purnting every piece of fulniture

Send 'em are afraid to have their bushands build will not be one that have falled there are afraid to have their bushands build will not be one that has extensively advertise." are just ninety-eight farmers like you who rubbed it in on me last fall. Send 'em

Outlines of Oklahoma.

Oklahoma watermelons are now finding a market as far north as Minnesota. The first bale of cotton to come to Stillwater was a fine one. It weighed \$75

Some northern city in Oklahoma should get juto the scene of action with a cotton

Eleven wagon-loads of cotton-seed were marketed in Guthrie Thursday. They brought about \$1.50 a hundred. The Guthrie Leader notes that the Okla-

cating on side-trucks these days. Medford has organized a fire company and insurance rates are expected to like a hunk of lead out of a four-story

Dennis Flynn told a friend privately the other day that sooner or later Oklahama would get free homes. He said it was inevitable.

both this year. There has been too much drunkenness

and vulgarity on the streets of Manchester, and the citizens have set in to clean

rade the streets singing: "Nearer, My

go well together. Oklahoma's cotton leads the world. The government has been forced to acknowl-

It B. T. Hainer, who is in Washington, makes that Prince Albert coat win, DeFord should put one on immediately and go down and see McKinley.

had come in Oklahoma the first year the number of contests would have been five times as many as it was. "It's just deg-gone Republican luck."

said an Oklahoma silver man. "If Bryan had been elected there wouldn't have been any foreign crop shortage."

When McKinley gets back to Washington

town. That paper blames them with the fact that Guthrie has not yet a cotton compress. At Guthric beceafter, to indicate that

Hoys under eighten years of age can not marry in Oklahoma. A young man at Guthrie iried it the other night. He was only seventeen and the judge refused to

immediately upon the president's return to Washington, E. T. Hainer and his Frince Albert coat are not in Washington for nothing: Ringling Brothers' tents, while they are

will go sevenly-five miles to attend. the supreme bench of Oklahoma have fix-

Southern Kansas Business Mer.

Sparr & Dean, shoe men of Wellington, are doing some very good and sensible advertising just now,

ent has been run into the ground. right advertisement makes its own post-The clerk who does not immediately re-

The Star clothers of Newton says Elemetimes you can do what you can't who spot the lucky moment."

ny illustration me efficacious in atmact-ing attention to an advertisement. Brady Brothers & Co., dry goods of Win

cleverly: "Don't do it. Don't let your horses starve to death. Feed is nin chesp and there are too many varieties to be

said he was wasting muney. The Stanker store at Newton save. "If

direct people to his store and to got them to ceture after the first call. There must Crist & Andrews of Belle Platte, in ad-

sections a patent frill which has no "Farmers! Just think for .

e pleasure of seeing the flies sicken and | Boser & Co., Jewslers, of Wellington,

In Southern Kanese most of the wealth comes through the farme. The farmer trut gets the money and it has to pass through a number of channels before it resultes the merchant. And unless he opens the door

it may never reach him. traied and he has to write to bery even fall, and every one of them will require be eyes of love not a make out his hand- a pair of shows. Of source all of these enting.
An Atching man, who has been account eral thousand of them do, and who will

in, and he is afraid she will, wane and fail. If a record is kept it will paint him white, and tie a yellow how so be found that exerative ability in the part There is an old supersticies that if a man ing. and the location of the store and onto a new house for bimself, he will not family adapting within the store will make of proprietors, shrowd howing, popular sedborids a new house for himself, he will not family princency within the store will make the long after. All the superstrine is some stores great and the absence of them raid to be abarred only by women, but it break other establishments. And in the

oma freight cars are doing precious little

J. T. Palmer of Medford arises in his capacious shoes and demands that Okla-homa be given prosperity and free homes

At Medford there is a kick because some men fill up on tarantula extract and pa

A saloon at Guthrie has set aside a part of the place as a cotton exchange. It will hardly work. Business and booze do not

and name a marshal.

It is estimated that if these fine crops

Somebody has stuck a pin into the Perry Enterprise. It says: "Is there to be home rule in Oklahoma?" Does the plank in the national platform mean anything?"

he will find the front sorch of the White House crowded with men from Oklahoma who are capable of being chief justices. There are a lot of kickers in Guthrie who

Governor Barnes is in town the Stars and Stripes will be displayed. What will they display to show that Dennis Flynn is also

Judge Dale's successor will be appointed

has been a long time since the people in Oklahoma saw a circus, and some of them Frank Greer has a tip that the judges on

take it up intelligently at once. Frank thinks that that is cause for removal. An Oklahoma farmer stood in the midet of his wheat and corn and cotton and said, with a smile: "It took me eight years to discover what I broke my fool neck in that run in 1889 for, but it's all right now.

The idea for position for an advertise

ognize that a customer knows as much about the business as the clark does will sell very few goods.

do at other times. The wise are those So long as the American people are humornasiy disposed, just so long will a fun-

"Cor store will for our new silks will be in and out where they can be seen. C. F. Benfer & Co., of Newton, say very

There are some men who think all adverticing is over-done. The chances we that when the first dry goods metchant put seats in his store the other merchants

here. Saxing so does not make it so, but doing does." 'Doing does' I A merchant should so treat his employee

There is such a thing as being ridicatakes a numan as much longer to live ad One man in the east recently

the eye does not convey any particularly

Here is a cupital advertisement starter